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OR91-221

Dear Mr. Driscoll:

You ask whether certain information contained in the requestor's personnel file is subject to required public disclosure under the Texas Open Records Act, article 6252-17a, V.T.C.S. Your request was assigned ID# 12217.

We have reviewed the documents at issue and believe that they may be withheld pursuant to section 3(a)(8), which excepts

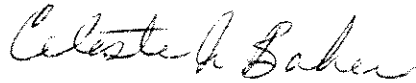
records of law enforcement agencies and prosecutors that deal with the detection, investigation, and prosecution of crime and the internal records and notations of such law enforcement agencies and prosecutors which are maintained for internal use in matters relating to law enforcement and prosecution.

The test for section 3(a)(8) is whether release of the requested information will unduly interfere with law enforcement or crime prevention. *See Ex parte Pruitt*, 551 S.W.2d 706 (Tex. 1977). The documents at issue here satisfy this test on their face. Consequently, you may withhold the information pursuant to section 3(a)(8).

Because case law and prior published open records decisions resolve your request, we are resolving this matter with this informal letter ruling rather than with

a published open records decision. If you have questions about this ruling, please refer to OR91-221.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Celeste A. Baker".

Celeste A. Baker  
Assistant Attorney General  
Opinion Committee

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Enclosure: Documents